

**DEFENDANTS' UNOPPOSED
MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF
TIME TO RESPOND TO
PLAINTIFF'S COMPLAINT**

In accordance with Local Rule 16-3, Defendants respectfully request a 14-day extension of time to file their Response to Plaintiff's Complaint. By Defendants' calendar, the Response to Plaintiff's Complaint is currently due on January 3, 2023—sixty days after Plaintiff effected service of process. Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(a)(2). Defendants seek to extend the current deadline to January 17, 2023. Plaintiff does not oppose this extension, and Defendants have good cause for the Court to grant this request.

The current Response deadline immediately follows the holiday season, which poses a difficulty for Defendants given that agency personnel and Defendants' counsel will be taking sometimes overlapping leave during the latter half of December. Defendants are diligently working on their Response to the Complaint but require more time to confer with the necessary personnel and finalize the Response. Therefore, Defendants seek a 14-day extension. This extension will not delay any set deadlines in this matter because no schedule for Administrative Record or summary judgment motions briefing has yet been set.

For good cause shown, Defendants request that the Court grant their motion and order that Defendants have until January 17, 2023, to respond to Plaintiff's Complaint.

Respectfully submitted this 13th day of December, 2022.

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